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DATE : 22 MAY 54

CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM
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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : GUATEMALA CITY

ACTION: WH (PBS)(1-3)

INFO : DCI (4), D/DCI (5), DD/P (L)(6), WH (7), SA/PC/DCI (8), A/DD/P/P (9)

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RYBAT PBSUCCESS

1. ABOUT FIRST OF JUNE PARADE TO BE HELD IN CAPITAL EXHIBITING NEWLY ACQUIRED ARMS.

2. [ ] REPORTEDLY CONFIDED THAT PART OF SHIPMENT IS BRITISH MAKE INCLUDING SPITFIRES THAT CZECH RIFLES INCLUDED AND FRENCH CANNONS "SAINT CHAMMONT".

3. FURTHER CONFIDED THAT REGULAR ARMY OF 7,000 CAN BE REINFORCED BY MEN FROM SYNDICATES AND CAMPESINOS AND THAT GOVT CAN EASILY ARM 50,000 MEN. HINTED THAT PART OF THE ARMS WILL BE EARMARKED FOR SPECIAL CARE OF SYNDICATES. ALLEGES LIGHT ARMS BEING BROUGHT TO CAPITAL BY AVIATECA. SOURCE: [ ] EVAL B-3.

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*Changed by [ ] per [ ] Cable Sec. 24 May 54 [ ]

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